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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

As an avid user of Microsoft products, I would like to express my opinion that legal action against Microsoft should stop. I think you have offered Microsoft a good settlement. I believe that the current settlement will suffice to allow computer manufacturers new rights to configure systems with access to Windows features.

I urge you to continue on the course of the present settlement, and not get distracted by the critics trying get this settlement withdrawn. This settlement is fair, and will create more competition in the IT industry. This settlement requires Microsoft to open up its code to competitors, so that they will be able to create better software. Furthermore under this agreement a technical committee that includes a government official will watch over Microsoft full time. Your support of this settlement is necessary to bring it to fruition, and that is needed to bring this three-year-old case to an end.

Once again I would like to urge you to put your full support behind the finalization of the settlement you have offered to the Microsoft Corporation. Don't let the anti Microsoft peanut gallery win the day.

Sincerely,



Joyce Kerze